

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on September 8, 2015 at the Wethersfield Town Hall, Town Manager's Conference Room – First Floor, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Members Present: Douglas Ovian, Vice Chairperson
Chris Lyons
Mark Raymond, Clerk
Jennifer Wolf
Daniel Bucknam, Alternate

Members Absent: Robert Garrey, Chairperson
Damian Cregeau, Alternate
John Aforismo, Alternate

Also Present: Kristin Stearley, Historic District Coordinator
Linda Messina, Recording Secretary

Commissioner Ovian called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner Raymond read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Rare Reminder* on August 27, 2015.

APPLICATION NO. 4425-15. Andy Sanzaro seeks to reside an existing shed in the rear of the property and to expand another shed in the rear of the property to 12'x13' at 187 Main Street.

Applicant was not present.

APPLICATION NO. 4426-15. Tom and Erin Kennedy seek to amend Certificate of Appropriateness Number 4296-14 to change the materials on the decking and railings for the deck and the front porch from wood to Azek, to wrap the supports on the deck and porch with Azek, to not install gutters, and to extend the expiration date on Certificate of Appropriateness Number 4296-14 four (4) months to December 31, 2015 at 107 Garden Street.

Tom Kennedy, 107 Garden Street, appeared before the Commission. Photos were submitted. They thought they were to use Azek for the decking, so they would like approval to retain the Azek material. They would like to install a drainage system around the house instead of putting on gutters. The railings have pegs that are installed to maintain the warranty and they were part of the design.

Commissioner Ovian asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner Raymond seconded by Commissioner Lyons, and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to close the public hearing on all applications except 4425-15 and to open the public meeting.

Aye: Ovian, Raymond, Lyons, Wolf, Bucknam

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Upon motion by Commissioner Raymond seconded by Commissioner Wolf and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

Discussion

Commissioner Ovian stated that the porch is very close to the road. This substitute material is quite good. It's a beautiful porch. Aside from the blocks that hold up the railing, if you didn't know they were part of a warranty for a synthetic material, you wouldn't know at all. It's that good.

Commissioner Raymond stated that he has no issues with the changes. They have used Azek in the District quite a bit. He thinks this is a good replication of what they would like to see.

Aye: Ovian, Raymond, Lyons, Wolf

Nay: Bucknam

MINUTES OF AUGUST 25, 2015

Upon motion by Commissioner Ovian, seconded by Commissioner Raymond and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the minutes of the August 25, 2015 meeting as submitted.

Aye: Ovian, Raymond, Lyons, Wolf

OTHER BUSINESS

Public Comments on General Matters of the Historic District

None.

Report of the Historic District Coordinator

The photo survey will probably be started in late fall, early spring of next year. Peter Gillespie is looking for volunteers now and they are looking into options for layering the images over the existing mapping system.

Correspondence

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Lyons, seconded by Commissioner Raymond and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 7:51 PM.

Aye: Ovian, Lyons, Raymond, Wolf, Bucknam

Respectfully Submitted

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Mark Raymond
- Clerk -